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1. AS SUGGESTED BISHOP LETTER 18 OCTOBER, I MADE INFORMAL TELEPHONE APPROACH TO DR CHRISTOPHE QUADJOVIE, DIRGEN OF HEALTH, MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH, SAYING I UNDERSTOOD DR GEORGES BARTET WAS SEEKING BOURSE IN U.S. FOR STUDY OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY AND INQUIRING INFORMALLY ABOUT HIM. I DID NOT SAY BOURSE WOULD BE AID OR OTHER USG GRANT AND DID NOT, OF COURSE, MENTION MAWUSSI.

2. DR QUADJOVIE IMMEDIATELY REPLIED THAT HE COULD NOT GIVE ME ANY COMMENTS HIMSELF SINCE ALL SUCH MATTERS ARE DISCUSSED BY A COMMITTEE (COLLEGE) IN MINISTRY. HE REQUESTED THAT I ADDRESS A LETTER TO THE MINISTER, SETTING FORTH PARTICULARS. DESPITE HAVING SAID HE COULD NOT COMMENT, HE ADDED THAT IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO LOOK INTO CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH DR BARTET LEFT GOT SERVICE.

3. WHILE I REGRET THIS TURN OF EVENTS, IT APPEARS WE NOW HAVE ONLY TWO REASONABLE COURSES OF ACTION: EITHER I WRITE LETTER TO MINISTER, FURNISHING WHATEVER INFORMATION DEPT WISHES ME TO, OR DEPT CAN SUGGEST TO MAWUSSI THAT HE TAKE CASE UP DIRECTLY WITH MINISTRY. I SHALL DO NOTHING UNTIL RECEIPT OF FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.

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